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**REQUEST  
FOR  
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Application Number	09/655,367
Filing Date	September 5, 2000
First Named Inventor	Stephen J. HINDE
Art Unit	2134
Examiner Name	M. Simitoski
Attorney Docket Number	1509-127

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- III.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- IV.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. *(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(f) required)*
- b.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

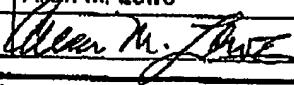
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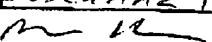
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